FISCAL NOTE

HB 3100 - SB 3171

March 16, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires trailers that are 16 feet or more in length to be equipped with certain lighting devices and reflectors on the rear. Requires at least one red lamp be attached to the rearmost extremity of a load which projects four feet or more beyond the rear of a trailer, or at any tailboard or tailgate so projecting, or to the rearmost extremity of any load from one-half hour before sunset to one-half hour after sunrise. Specifies that a red flag be displayed at all other times on such loads. Specifies that violation of the provisions is a Class C misdemeanor.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenues - Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant

Impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to the state and local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill. The state receives fines in accordance with TCA 55-10-303 and clerks receive commission on fines collected.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director